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Transmitted herewith for filing are the following:

New patent application including 23 pages of text, and 7 sheets of drawing.

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